

REMARKS

Claims 1-30 and 34-37 are pending. Claims 31-33 are cancelled. Claim 30 is amended. Claims 36 and 37 are new. No new matter is added. The Examiner has indicated that claims 1-29 are allowed, for which the applicant is appreciative. Claims 30, 34 and 35 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by US2002/0199048 ("Rabitnovitz") or JP 2000077864 ("Masato"). The applicant respectfully traverses the rejections and requests reconsideration in view of the amendments and remarks herein.

The Examiner indicated that claims 31-33 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and intervening claims. Claim 30 has been amended to include the limitation of claim 31, to delete some redundant text and to clarify the description of the power distribution system. Accordingly, amended claim 30 is substantially the same as if claim 31 was amended as suggested by the Examiner to include the limitations of the base claim. As such, the applicant respectfully submits that claim 30 is in condition for allowance. Claims 34-37 depend from claim 30 and are therefore allowable for at least the same reasons.

As the Examiner has indicated that claims 1-29 are allowable and in view of the amendment to claim 30, the applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims are now in condition for allowance.

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No fees are believed due, however, please apply any charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050.

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